

TAKAHIRA ADMITS CHANCES FOR PEACE ARE "ALMOST HOPELESS."  
PANIC FOLLOWS INVASION OF NATCHEZ, MISS., BY YELLOW FEVER.SUMMARY OF  
The St. Louis Republic  
Monday, August 28, 1905.

THE WEATHER.	
St. Louis and vicinity.	A.M.
Fair, somewhat warmer to-day.	6-64
Light to moderate easterly wind.	6-71
For Missouri—Fairly clear to-day;	6-71
possibly showers in south	6-71
portion. Fair, warmer to-mor-	6-71
row.	6-71
Yesterday's Conditions.	P.M.
Weather—Fair, clear, calm.	5-71
Temperature—Maximum, 64 de-	5-71
grees; minimum, 48 de-	5-71
grees. Wind—Direction, east and	5-71
southeast; maximum velocity,	5-71
eight miles an hour at 7 a. m.	5-71
Precipitation—None. Humidity—	5-71
Maximum, 64 per cent at 7 a. m.	5-71
Barometer—60.1 inches; 20 in-	5-71
ches at 7 a. m. State of the	5-71
river, 12.5 feet at 7 a. m.	5-71
Sun rises 5:25; sun sets 6:37.	5-71
Length of day, 12 h. 12 m.	5-71
23rd New moon, August 29; first	5-71
quarter, September 2; full moon,	5-71
September 12; last quarter, Sep-	5-71
tember 22.	5-71

Washington, Aug. 27.—Forecast:  
Indiana—Partly cloudy to-day; prob-  
ably showers in northern and central portions;  
to-morrow fair, variable winds.  
Illinois—Partly cloudy to-day; prob-  
ably showers in northern portion; to-morrow fair,  
variable winds.  
Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Indian Ter-  
ritory—Fair to-day and to-morrow.  
Eastern Texas—Fair to-day and to-morrow;  
light to fresh variable winds.  
Nebraska—Fair to-day; to-morrow partly  
cloudy; showers and cooler in western portion.

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Saves Woman From River.  
Yellow Fever in New Orleans.  
News of the Peace Conference.  
Four Hurt on Delmar Toboggan.
2. Juggernaut Borews Salt.  
Views of Japanese Press.
3. Russian Peace Conference.  
Savory News of Soldiers.
4. American Export Trade.  
Palmer Unsubstantiated Conference.
5. Iron Mountain's New Branch.  
Will Build Suburban Railway.
6. Bremen Win and Lose Game.  
Football Prospects Bright.
7. Labor Day Parade Arranged.  
Folk on East Extension.
8. Shooting at Salisbury, Mo.  
Boy Slays for Four Months.  
Paris Physicians Skeptical.  
Vogel Lynched by Mob.

PEACE.  
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Peace Conference to Tuesday until they  
can get Mikado's reply to Czar's ultimatum.  
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Minister Takahira admits situation is  
"almost hopeless."  
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EASTERN WAR.  
Two armies facing one another in Man-  
churia are situated almost identically as  
further south. It is easily extended and  
future operations, whether for hostilities or  
demolition, must necessarily be com-  
plicated.  
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WASHINGTON.  
Treasury expert says trouble with Ameri-  
can foreign trade is that export of raw  
materials are shipped back in finished  
products.  
Mayor Newberry of Detroit may be  
placed in Cabinet.  
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Paris physicians doubt that vegetable  
juice will cure consumption.  
PAGE 12  
Congressman Barthold submits plan for  
international law parliament.  
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LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.  
New road from St. Louis to connection  
to Iowa is proposed.  
PAGE 7  
After half hour's struggle near edge of  
treble East Side detective saves Mrs. M.  
Meyers from jumping into river, she hav-  
ing first shot herself.  
PAGE 1

After trying to find blowholes in his  
William Allen White admits folk is the  
genuine, untroubled kind; meets Governor  
in Planters and pays for dinner.  
PAGE 1  
Iron Mountain branch will reach mining  
and agricultural resources of Missouri and  
Arkansas.  
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In address in O'Brien N. O. Nelson gives  
his views on religion.  
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Car on toboggan slide at Delmar Garden  
turned somersault, and its four passengers  
were hurt.  
PAGE 1

Expert believes Texas cotton crop will  
be short 100,000 bales.  
PAGE 12  
Funeral of Vincent Murphy will take  
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Mrs. E. C. Cowdery's ankle broken in  
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Arrangements for Labor Day parade  
have been completed.  
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Law enforcement brings prosperity to  
Elat, says Folk.  
PAGE 9  
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PAGE 2

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Wall street speculators continue opti-  
mistic and predict higher prices.  
PAGE 11  
Mrs. Tappan says she is vindicated and  
that it has been proved her husband suf-  
fers from hallucinations.  
PAGE 2

State University official orders sunflower  
plants removed from campus.  
PAGE 2  
Nose cases of yellow fever are discov-  
ered in Natchez, Miss.; general exodus of  
citizens begins; New Orleans death record  
broken.  
PAGE 1

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ritory line to prevent importation of  
whisky.  
PAGE 12  
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N. C.  
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year-old son fired shot.  
PAGE 12  
Secretary Shaw says Governor Cummins  
of Iowa misquoted him.  
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score in both 3 to 1.  
PAGE 6  
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PAGE 4

White scale virtually van Trolley League  
banned by beating Woman's Magazine  
team.  
PAGE 6  
Football season promises well for Chris-  
tian Brothers College and St. Louis Uni-  
versity.  
PAGE 6

FOUR MEET INJURY  
IN TOBOGGAN CAR

Cogs on Amusement Railway Fail.  
Vehicle Turns Somersault,  
Upsetting Passengers.

## ARE PINIONED TO THE RAILS.

Curtis Doak Is Pressed on Mov-  
ing Chain and Both Legs Are  
Lacerated—Two Women's  
Miraculous Escape.

FOUR WOMEN WERE  
ON TOBOGGAN SLIDE.  
Curtis Doak, chauffeur, No. 507  
Walton avenue, badly lacerated on  
right leg, left leg badly abraded and  
suffering internal injuries; condition  
serious.  
Miss Marie Wurmke, No. 125  
South Grand avenue, left arm  
lacerated.  
Miss R. Lowe, No. 266 Eads ave-  
nue, bruised about the body.  
James Gysin, traveling man,  
Buckingham Club, bruised about  
the body.

In the sight of a crowd of 500 persons,  
one of the cogs of the toboggan slide at  
Delmar Garden failed to catch a cog on  
the steep incline of the railway last night,  
turned over backward and pinioned its  
four passengers on the track.  
The screams of the Misses Wurmke and  
Lowe, together with the screams of Doak,  
who was badly hurt, caused an immediate  
suspension of the railway and a rush  
over the rails to their assistance.  
J. L. Krey of No. 113 North Third street  
was the first to reach the place where  
the unfortunate quartet lay pinioned,  
and started to lift the car off them.  
He was assisted by other bystanders and  
employees, who were compelled to hold the  
car with all their strength to keep it from  
falling the second time, before the victims  
piled in a precarious heap to the bot-  
tom of the incline.  
The accident occurred at 8:45 o'clock.  
Doak was carried into the toolhouse of  
the company and the other victims were  
assisted to their feet.  
Telephone messages were sent in every  
direction for physicians and ambulances.  
Doctor C. D. Potts of Wellington was the  
first to arrive. He was followed shortly  
afterward by Doctor D. S. Calhoun, as-  
sistant to Doctor A. V. L. Brokaw.  
Together the physicians made a tem-  
porary dressing and bandaging of Doak's  
wounds. The cut in his left leg was too  
long and about three inches deep  
and was caused by the moving chain on  
the level of the tracks while he was lying  
beneath the car.  
It was 9:20 o'clock before the ambu-  
lance arrived. Doak was then taken to  
St. Luke's Hospital.  
Gysin and Miss Lowe did not wait for  
medical assistance, but went home on  
their own cars.

The two couples were not acquainted  
and only met on the car. The vehicle had  
started up the first ascent, which has an  
inclination of 25 degrees, when a cog  
slipped and the car rolled backward and  
went over. Doak probably had been ex-  
pected to be easily caught, but he endeav-  
ored to push Miss Wurmke out of the way  
and was thereby caught. They were  
sitting in the front seat.  
The toboggan is owned and operated by  
the Standard Operating Amusement  
Company of Philadelphia.

Doak is employed by E. R. Chumley as a  
chauffeur. It was at Miss Wurmke's  
request that he got on the toboggan.  
An immense crowd congregated around  
the tracks after the accident and endeav-  
ored to push over the ropes. At the  
request of the management of the garden,  
the throng was kept at bay by Sheriff  
George Heibel and two deputies, in addition  
to the employees of the company.

The accident ended the picnic and sent  
the merry-makers to their homes in St.  
Louis and East St. Louis. The body of  
the unfortunate man was carried to a  
bench on the grounds. The corner of St.  
Clark street was notified, but did not  
visit the scene last evening. Deputy Cor-  
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attraction at the picnic of German soci-  
eties.

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and when Williams was finally ready for  
his dangerous performance daylight had  
broken to fall.

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STRUGGLES TO SAVE  
WOMAN FROM RIVER

After Fierce Tussle Detective  
Subdues Mrs. M. Meyers of  
East St. Louis.

## SHE TRIES TO SHOOT HERSELF.

Fights Rescuer Near Edge of  
Trestle in Effort to Jump Into  
Water—Troubles Too  
Great to Bear.

For half an hour Jack Fahy, a detec-  
tive in the employ of the Wiggins Ferry  
Company on the East Side, yesterday,  
struggled with Mrs. M. Meyers on the  
Wiggins Ferry "dunk," a trestle that ex-  
tends several hundred feet out into the  
river below Eads bridge.  
Mrs. Meyers, according to Fahy, had  
fired one shot at herself, and after vainly  
snapping the revolver tried to jump into  
the river.  
Fahy finally secured help from work-  
men and the police were summoned. Mrs.  
Meyers was taken to the police station,  
where she was locked up.

Mrs. Meyers is 31 years old and lives  
between the Middle and Main streets in  
the north part of East St. Louis. Railroad men  
in the employ of the Wiggins Ferry Com-  
pany reported to Detective Fahy yester-  
day morning that a woman was acting  
strangely about the ferry landing on the  
trestle.  
Fahy started to investigate the report,  
and as he neared the "dunk" he saw Mrs.  
Meyers walking over the trestle toward  
the river. Fahy quickened his steps, and  
as he reached the approach to the trestle  
he saw the woman raise a revolver and  
fire a shot. The bullet did not strike her,  
and Fahy ran toward her. Fahy says  
she snapped the revolver three times more,  
but that the cartridges failed to explode.  
Mrs. Meyers saw Fahy approach, and  
had nearly reached the edge of the trestle  
when he grabbed her. Fahy is a former  
prize fighter and athlete.  
Mrs. Meyers gave him the battle of his  
life, however, according to Fahy. He  
was assisted finally by switchmen, and  
then the police were summoned. Mrs.  
Meyers was taken to the police station.  
She said that she had tried to do away  
with herself because she was tired of  
living and that her troubles were too  
great to bear.

AERONAUT KILLED  
IN VIEW OF CROWD

John Williams Falls to His Death  
From Height of Several Hun-  
dred Feet at East Side Picnic—  
Lands in Field.

As 50 men, women and children stood  
watching John Williams, an aeronaut,  
preparing to leap from his balloon at Red  
House, Ill., opposite Carondelet, yester-  
day afternoon, they saw him suddenly  
drop from the trapeze attached to the  
balloon, and fall several hundred feet  
to the ground.  
Williams landed in a field not far from  
the point of ascension, and when picked  
up was dead. Blood streamed from his  
ears, eyes and mouth, and his bones were  
broken in many places.

The sight of the aeronaut falling to  
death while his body turned in over and  
over in its descent, created a panic among  
the spectators. Many women fainted,  
children screamed in fear and even men  
turned to avoid the spectacle.

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WM. ALLEN WHITE  
FINDS LID IS REAL

Kansas Vainly Seeks Blowholes  
in Sunday Closing and Then  
Admits He Was Wrong.

## ORDERS FIZZ IN LEMP'S PARK.

Declares Governor Folk Has  
Good Chance for the Presi-  
dency—Meets Him at  
Planters Hotel.

"When I saw Governor Folk in Jeff-  
erson City last Friday and told him the  
lid was a paper one," said William Allen  
White, who was joined by the Governor  
at the Planters Hotel last night, "I knew  
not whereof I spoke. That it is a real  
lid and not a paper one I am well con-  
vinced."  
Mr. White came to St. Louis with the  
avowed intention of making holes in the  
lid, and then writing articles about the  
holes. He arrived in the city late Satur-  
day, and after spending the greater part  
of the night and all day Sunday trying  
to find openings he gave up the search  
and admitted defeat.

"This afternoon," said Mr. White, "I  
went out to Lemp's Park and there I saw  
about 500 Germans complacently drink-  
ing ginger ale while they listened to real Ger-  
man music produced by a genuine Ger-  
man band. Why, say, it almost killed me.  
I never thought I'd see the day. Every-  
thing was German. I had to give my or-  
ders in German, even though it was  
sophomore German and ten years old.  
But the sight of all those people drink-  
ing ginger ale—oh, my, what a sight."  
"Well, I sat around listening to the  
music, and finally I saw a sign that read  
"Klondike Fizz." Here's where I poked the  
finger of scorn at Governor Folk," I said  
to myself. "This was the opening of the  
lid. Klondike fizz, I thought, was beer of  
the genuine kind, going under an alias. I  
called a waiter and ordered 'two of 'em.'  
He brought the bottles, nice brown and  
just the kind I thought in which to keep  
beer. The waiter opened one bottle and it  
fizzed and foamed about the neck."  
NO BLOWHOLES IN THE LID.  
"I smiled inwardly, for I thought this  
beer at last and the lid is indeed a paper  
one, with plenty of blowholes."  
"I drank one glass of that 'Klondike  
fizz' and I had a taste in my mouth like  
beer. It was better, and the cognition that  
I was dead wrong, and that it was not an  
alias for beer. Why, say, that stuff tasted  
so bad I took a cup of coffee to take the  
taste out of my mouth."  
"How those sturdy Germans could drink  
that stuff I do not know, and it will ever  
be an unsolved mystery to me. There  
they sat listening to the band, and the  
band had three kettle drums, and when a  
German listens to three kettle drums for  
a while he wants a drink of beer, and in-  
stead of beer he got ginger ale and 'Klon-  
dike fizz.' It was awful. And the play-  
ers in the band. Poor fellows! They are  
right over from the Fatherland and are  
used to their beer. After a piece had been  
played they would stand around and look  
at each other and finally wander over to  
a popcorn stand and buy popcorn. I never  
thought I'd see the day."

"I will be frank and confess that I came  
to St. Louis to poke a finger through the  
lid. I found that things were just like  
Colonel El Butler said in Manitou, Colo.,  
about a week ago. He told me it was  
an iron-clad blowhole steel and copper-  
riveted lid and I laughed. I laughed  
wrongly. He's right and so is the Govern-  
ment."

Folk's chances for PRESIDENCY.  
Speaking about Governor Folk's chances  
for the presidential candidacy, Mr. White  
said:  
"Governor Folk is the seventh son of a  
seventh son and he's got plenty of luck.  
You can never tell what will happen. He's  
got as good a chance as anyone. The Gov-  
ernor is in that ten or a dozen class of  
men who have good chances and he's one  
of the foremost. The race next time will  
not be a party race, but a man race. Gov-  
ernor Folk and President Roosevelt  
have a nonpartisan following. No one  
is in the lead at present, and they are  
all off in a bunch, and they will stay so  
until the two conventions are held."

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LIFE OF PEACE CONFERENCE  
HANGS ON MIKADO'S REPLY  
TO THE CZAR'S ULTIMATUM

Japanese Procure Continuance Until Tuesday in Order to  
Hear from Tokio—H. Komura Has Nothing to Offer,  
Witte Says, All Is Over, as Russia Has  
Spoken Her Last Word.

RUSSIAN INCENSED  
AT ROOSEVELT'S LETTER.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 28.—The  
efforts of President Roosevelt were  
at first regarded by the Russians  
with favor, but his persistence has  
irritated them. They will not talk  
about it, but it is clear that his  
statement to Mr. Witte, in writing,  
that the Russian cause was "hope-  
less," and that the Japanese cause  
was "moderate," has produced a  
feeling that the President has in-  
terfered and has presumed on Rus-  
sian good-nature.

The Russian point out that the  
President, when he invited the two  
nations to come to a conference,  
specified that there should be no in-  
termediary, and that they should  
deal directly between themselves.  
But now he is as much a party to  
the negotiations as either of the  
belligerents, and the plain intima-  
cy was given to-day that if he  
continued Russia would be bound  
to give some expression to what  
are the feelings of the Rus-  
sians, that if the war is a "hope-  
less one" they certainly do not want  
to be told by the President of the  
United States, and they do not  
agree with him that the Japanese  
terms are "moderate."

Mr. Witte explained to the Associated  
Press that Mr. Takahira had told him that  
no new instructions had reached him from  
Tokio, and, fearing none might be re-  
ceived before the meeting scheduled for  
to-morrow afternoon, he had suggested  
the propriety of postponing the meeting  
until Tuesday. To this Mr. Witte said he  
had readily assented.

Mr. Takahira made the following state-  
ment to the Associated Press:  
"Inasmuch as this conference was in-  
itiated by the friendly offices of your  
President, after consultation, we felt that  
we should be cautious about terminating  
its labors."

Although the public to-night was led to  
believe that the meeting was definitely  
adjourned until Tuesday, the Associated  
Press learned late to-night that, accord-  
ing to the joint understanding between  
Mr. Witte and Mr. Takahira, it was  
agreed that there would be no meeting  
until Japan's response to what may be re-  
garded as the Russian ultimatum arrived.  
The meeting, therefore, may not be held  
until Wednesday or Thursday.

Tokio must now decide, and, judging  
from the tone of the Japanese press, the  
Government must face a great deal of  
opposition at home if it yields further.  
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Pressed as to whether he regarded the  
situation as hopeless, Mr. Takahira said:  
"No, not hopeless, but almost hopeless."  
This in itself, from one who has spoken  
always in the most guarded fashion is  
sufficient to show the desperation of  
the situation. The real crisis in the ne-  
gotiations is at hand. It is very acute,  
but it can be ridden over for a few days  
without a rupture, a basis of peace ac-  
ceptable to both sides may come very  
suddenly. But to save the situation now  
Japan must speak. If on Tuesday she  
has nothing to offer, all is over.

Mr. Witte, even if he would, is power-  
less to take a new step. His hands are  
tied. He now occupies the role of an im-  
perial messenger who transmits his mas-  
ter's orders to Baron Komura, and Baron  
Komura turns them over to Tokio for the  
response. The conference room has ceased  
to be a place for negotiations. It is sim-  
ply the place where the Emperors of the  
contending countries exchange their envoys.  
And upon the point of indemnity or re-  
imbursement of "franc de guerre" under  
any Japanese Emperor his last word. Mr.  
Witte accepts it as final, and in writing  
yesterday informed the Japanese plenip-  
otentiary that Russia would have nothing  
further to say upon this subject.

RUSSIA BELIEVES SHE  
WAS JAPAN IN THE HOLE.  
Russia would cede half of Sakhalin and  
pay the cost of the maintenance of the  
Russian prisoners, but that was all. Bar-  
on Nicholas had given the same re-  
sponse to the President through Ambas-  
sador Meyer.

The Russians generally seem not dis-  
pleased with the situation. They believe  
Japan has been diplomatically manue-  
vered into a corner from which, if she  
now persists in her attempt to extract  
tribute with the alternative of a contin-  
uance of the war, she cannot extricate  
herself before the public opinion of the  
world.

Japan here and in Europe, they say, ap-  
peared for sympathy on the ground that  
Russia had compelled her to take up arms  
to protect her life.

The fortune of war had gone in her  
favor and Russia, recognizing that she  
had been beaten and preferring peace to  
the continuation of the war, had agreed  
to cede upon every point involved in the  
quarrel. She was willing to allow Japan  
full swing in Korea; she was willing to  
get out of Manchuria, bag and baggage,  
and commit herself to the recognition of  
China's integrity and the policy of "the  
open door." But Japan, instead of con-  
tribute, and because Russia refused, pro-  
longed the carnage.

In that act they intend Japan would  
change the purpose and character of the  
war, which would cease to be longer one  
of principle, but degenerate into a war  
for the sake of money.

There is no doubt that the Japanese are  
worried about this aspect of the situa-  
tion, and they do not propose to be placed  
in this position if it can be helped. With  
the sentiment existing in Japan demand-  
ing reimbursement for the expenses of  
the war, a money payment beyond what

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TAKAHIRA ADMITS CHANCES FOR PEACE ARE "ALMOST HOPELESS."  
PANIC FOLLOWS INVASION OF NATCHEZ, MISS., BY YELLOW FEVER.

Japanese Procure Continuance Until Tuesday in Order to  
Hear from Tokio—H. Komura Has Nothing to Offer,  
Witte Says, All Is Over, as Russia Has  
Spoken Her Last Word.

RUSSIAN INCENSED  
AT ROOSEVELT'S LETTER.